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OFFICE—3, DUNDRELL STREET.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1904. 1816

## Intimations.

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Government Notifica-  
tion No. 858, the EXCHANGE  
BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transac-  
tion of Public Business on MONDAY, the  
26th instant.  
Hongkong, December 21, 1904. 2284

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Hongkong, December 21, 1904. 2282

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THE Departure of the s.s. Manchuria  
for San Francisco, via Macao, Naga-  
saki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu is  
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inst., at 4 p.m.  
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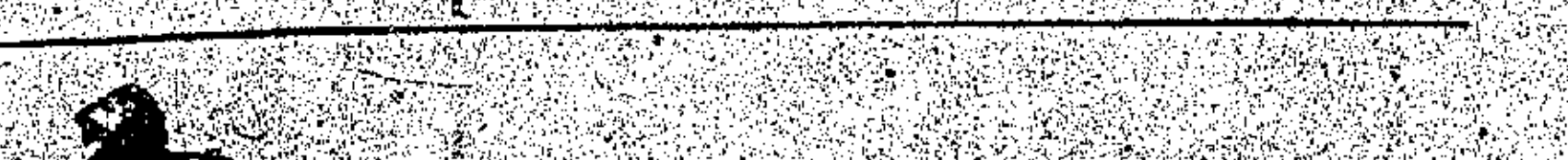
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Hongkong, December 6, 1904.







## BOXERS IN YUNNAN.

## Tricks of an Alleged Goddess.

This plague has reached us at last says the Cheong (Yunnan) correspondent of the N. O. Daily News. A few months ago a Living Goddess of Mercy made her appearance in the north of the Cheong prefecture. She resided in the house of a coir worker named Ting and stated that she was a member of the famous Red Lantern sect, which caused so much trouble in Szechuan a few years ago. She scattered her cards in all directions and began teaching Boxer mysteries to a number of people. All who joined her in fact had to provide a military outfit and a flag.

As the Manchus have hitherto failed to drive out the foreigners, the Gen. Emperor had issued a decree appointing Ting King of Yunnan and giving to him the work of destroying all foreigners. In addition to the forces he gathered from the neighbourhood he was to be assisted by a magic army of twelve gallons of hemp-seed soldiers and thirty-four gallons of yellow-bean soldiers. These, when scattered on the ground like the seed which mighty Jesus sowed, were to spring up as well-armed men and then war to all foreigners.

The 19th of the 9th moon was fixed as the date of the rising. The whole countryside knew of the matter, but the spies sent out by the officials failed to discover it. When the fated day came, the Feast of the Goddess of Mercy, the clans gathered, and the yellow standards were erected, bearing the legend 'By command of the Gen. Emperor Destroy all Foreigners.' According to an old Chinese military custom a sacrifice was to be offered to the flag. What sacrifice more welcome to the gods than the body of a Christian! The hands went in search of a Protestant Christian living not far away; met him on the road, seized him, and gave him the choice of idolatry or death. He refused the former and they gave him the latter. After killing him, they cut off his head and cast his body into a ditch. The blood was then sent on the standard and the head hung up in triumph. The die was cast.

Mr. Lee, a Chinese B.A., who is pastor of the work in that district, as soon as he was assured of the truth of the story, did his best to move the local officials, the highest military officer there is a lieutenant, and he has only three or four soldiers under him. There has been a wholesale cashiering of small military officials and soldiers, leaving many of the districts practically defenceless.

Lieutenant White started off with his handful of men and gathered up a band of militia by the way. The captain of the militia is a Christian and not afraid of the magic of the Living Goddess. On arriving at the stockade built on a dangerous cliff, the rebels were summoned to surrender with a promise of life if they did so. Had they not remembered how Chinese always keep such promises, they were still too sure of their magic soldiers tamely to give in to such a small force. A volley from within and the death of one of White's men was the reply. The fighting went on more or less all day, and at last the stockade was set on fire. The rebels rushed out to escape the flames and many were cut down. The king ended his short reign, and instead of remaining as he had boasted firmly seated on the 'Throne of the Nine Dragons,' went to reside beneath the 'Waters of the Nine Fountains.' The Living Goddess perished in the flames. All the wonderful leaders in this great rebellion found their exerts out short.

Such is the story as far as I know it of the first Boxer Rising and of the first Protestant martyr in Yunnan. This experience does not at all exhaust the troubles of this far-west province.

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## MAIL STEAMER DEPARTURES.

The following table is a chronologically arranged list of mail steamer sailings to Europe, America, Canada, and Australia. Coast ports, Manila, and Japan are not given, for steamers are constantly sailing for those ports. All the American steamers call at Japan, and the majority of the Australian boats call at Manila, and, in addition to those vessels, special steamers run there. The departure of every steamer is subject to alteration. The P. & O. mails usually reach London in about 28 days, and the French and German in about 28 or 30 days.

## EUROPEAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	MAIL DUE LONDON ABOUT.	DUE.
Dec. 27	M. M. Tonkin	Marseilles	Feb. 25	Jan. 24
Jan. 31	P. & O. Benal	London	" 29	Feb. 5
Jan. 4	G. M. S. Seydlitz	Hamburg	" 8	" 14
" 14	P. & O. Mela	Marseilles	" 22	" 28
" 18	G. M. S. Boon	London	" 25	" 31
" 24	M. M. Australia	Marseilles	" 28	" 4
Feb. 1	P. & O. Comandante	London	" 31	" 7
" 11	G. M. S. Byern	Hamburg	" 14	" 18
" 15	P. & O. Sieton	London	" 18	" 22
" 25	P. & O. Chusan	London	" 28	" 31

## CANADIAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
Dec. 28	C.P.R. Athenian	Vancouver.	Jan. 21
1905			
Jan. 11	do. Empress of China	do.	Feb. 1
" 25	do. Tartar	do.	" 18
Feb. 8	do. Empress of India	do.	" 29
March 8	do. Empress of Japan	do.	" 29
" 15	do. Athenian	do.	" 19
" 29	do. Empress of China	do.	" 19
April 19	do. Empress of India	do.	" 20
" 26	do. Tartar	do.	" 20
May 10	do. Empress of Japan	do.	" 21
" 24	do. Athenian	do.	" 21

## AMERICAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
Dec. 23	P.M.S. Manchuria	San Francisco	Jan. 17
1905			
Jan. 6	O. & O. Korea	do.	Feb. 3
" 13	do. Coptic	do.	" 10
" 24	P.M.S. Sibiria	do.	" 21
Feb. 13	do. Mongolia	do.	" 17
" 28	do. China	do.	" 17
March 11	O. & O. Manchuria	do.	" 28
" 24	do. Korea	do.	" 28
April 4	do. Coptic	do.	" 21

## AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
Dec. 28	O. N. Chingtu	Sydney.	Jan. 18
1905			
Jan. 11	E. & A. Australian	do.	Feb. 1
" 20	C. N. Taiyuan	do.	" 12
" 23	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	" 15
Feb. 11	E. & A. Empress	do.	" 15
" 17	O. N. Teian	do.	" 15
Mar. 6	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	" 28
" 8	E. & A. Eastern	do.	" 28
April 6	E. & A. Australian	do.	" 28
" 17	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	" 28
May 3	E. & A. Empress	do.	" 28
" 20	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	" 28

## Auctions.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

## FRIDAY,

the 23rd December, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET, A FINE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE CURIOS.

Comprising:—  
SARUMA VASES, FLAKES and BOWLS, SILVER and other GEMSMITHS, BRONZES, CARVED IVORIES, CUT GLASS, PORCELAINS, ENAMELS, LACQUERED PANELS, SILK, EMERALD, DERIVED SCREENS, HANGINGS, etc., etc.

TERMS:—As usual.  
On View on day of Sale.  
Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 19, 1904. 2239

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction, to be held on TUESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from the date of sale, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

## Particulars of the Lot.

Lot No.	Area	Boundary Measurements	Containing	Approximate Value
1	140.0	171.0	157.3	65.5
2	16.2	24.2	29.8	11.0

## Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of JAMES HENRY COX, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Court has, by virtue of Section 68 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1877, made an Order limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their Claims against the above Estate to the 29th December, 1904.

All Creditors are accordingly hereby required to send their Claims to the Under-signed on or before that date.

Dated the 29th day of September, 1904.

DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON, Solicitors for the Executors.

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Hongkong, March 14, 1903. 583

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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Captain Fagan	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Hongkong
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Singapore
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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Captain Hon. Walter G. Stopford	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Reserve	Hongkong
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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Lieut. Comdr. C. P. Metcalf	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Captain Francis G. Kirby	Whampoa
Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Lieut. Comdr. F. B. Noble	Whampoa
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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Comdr. John Nicholas	Hongkong
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Albatross	battleship, 1st class	12,850	42	13,500	Capt. C. H. R. Moore	Whampoa
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Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7200	Capt. Friedrich Grinzenberger	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	29	8000	Captain Mirdl	Hongkong
Achilles	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Comdr. Lafont	Salgo
Alouette	French gunboat	506	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Salgo
Argus	French gunboat	129	3	500	Lieut. Oreglin	Salgo
Aspie	French gunboat	475	3	150	Lieut. Journe	Salgo
Avalanche	French gunboat	140	5	150		Salgo
Bengal	French gunboat	580	6	400		Salgo
Bugard	French gunboat	374	29	900	Capt. Lefevre	Salgo
Cassiope	French gunboat	140	3	150		Salgo
*Castaurenaul	French gunboat	818	18	17,000	Captain V. Poldons	Whampoa
Comete	French gunboat	820	10	300	Comdr. Leul	Whampoa
Dacide	French gunboat	4000	31	9500	Comdr. L'Est	Whampoa
Dallas	French gunboat	350	7	300	Lieut. Jahnne	Whampoa
Estoc	French gunboat	350	7	300		Whampoa
Freude	French gunboat	350	7	300		Whampoa
Graydon	French gunboat	350	7	300		Whampoa
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## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1904.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The poet who wrote the FRANCE AND CROQUET which says in THE CHURCH effect that "Wherever God erects a house of prayer, the Devil's sure to build a chapel there," could hardly have written more closely to the truth had he known what was about to happen in France in 1904, for the tilt which has been made at the power of the Church this year seems to have struck the section of the sacred edifice monopolised by his Satan's Majesty with greater force than that devoted to the Supreme Being in Heaven. This is to be judged, of course, by the wild rumour that has since resulted, and the inordinate exhibitions of feeling that have been made from time to time—exhibitions in which all the agencies of the Devil have been invoked to lay low the section of the populace of the Republic that has had the temerity to interfere with what have for so long been regarded, justly or unjustly, as the divine rights of the Church.

M. Combes and his followers have undoubtedly produced a state of affairs in France which indicates that the Republic is on the verge of disestablishment. The repudiation of the famous concordat concluded between Napoleon and Pius VII in 1801 has come well within the arena of practical politics, but the probabilities are, though the question has reached the boiling point, that a considerable time will pass before the fatal step be taken and the alliance between Church and State finally broken. In France, when Jacques wishes to divorce Jeanne, husband and wife have to appear before a Magistrate who examines the whole question, and strives earnestly to effect a reconciliation before the case proceeds, and though Pius X is of tougher fibre than Leo XIII, he also is a diplomat, and many and strenuous efforts may be expected before the business is concluded. The storms of the past few months have played havoc with the foundations of the present Ministry in France, and at present its position in the centre of the seething political sea is none too strong. This is clear by the way in which General André has been thrown overboard like ballast, and a civilian installed in his stead. France is tending towards a divorce from the Church, but the danger, after all, is not yet imminent.

So far as the new trainline is concerned little can be gleaned. The Law Committee of the Legislative Council have the bill under consideration and are carefully considering it. In view of the great necessity which exists now, and the greater demand that will arise in the immediate future, for a line that will serve the large number of residents who live on the upper levels on the West of Glenelg, they will no doubt approve of the route outlined by the promoters. The population of the Peak and the higher levels which the proposed tram will open up is getting so great as to call for other than the existing means of transit, and in view of that it is anticipated that the Legislature will fall in with the scheme and pass it early so that surveys can be made and the line progressed with at the earliest opportunity. Having the future needs of the Colony always in view His Excellency the Governor has taken a keen interest in the project and will no doubt have something interesting to say on the matter when it comes before the Council again for discussion, which it is bound to do shortly.

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Received on December 21, at 5.2 p.m.

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

SCARCITY OF RUSSIAN OFFICERS.

Cadets Going to the Front.

LONDON, December 21.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that owing to the scarcity of Russian officers there the latest mobilization order provides for the despatch of cadets from most of the military schools to the Far East.

[JAPANESE OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.]

BOOY AT PORT ARTHUR.

Japanese Capture Three Gun.

Tokyo, December 21, 7.5 p.m.

The Port Arthur Army reports that our booty at the north fork of Tunkwan-shan consisted of four quick-firers, whereof two were serviceable; four machine-guns, all being in good order, and five field-guns, which are under examination.

Besides these, there were rifles, shells, ammunition, grenades, etc.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

COAL FOR THE BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, December 20.

Four colliers for the Baltic fleet have arrived at Laurencekirk.

DISTURBANCES IN RUSSIA.

Further demonstrations were made in Moscow yesterday and there were several collisions with the police in which a few of the demonstrators were wounded.

THE NORTH SEA COMMISSION.

The Commission on the North Sea Incident will meet in Paris on Thursday.

LAWLESSNESS IN MOROCCO.

The lawlessness in Morocco is getting worse. The Sultan has dismissed all Europeans and is reverting to ancient ways to ingratiate the people.

GENERAL NEWS.

The death is reported of Captain A. D. McIntyre, Assistant Secretary to the Principal Medical Officer in India at Simla, on Nov. 27.

Archaeological Discoveries.

A telegram from Calcutta, dated November 18, says that Dr. Stein has made some interesting discoveries in his excavations of the great Alra mound near Benares. His finds include coins, terra-cotta figures and fragments of small Hindu sculptures dating back to the first century before Christ.

News from Tibet.

News received from Gyantse at Allahabad on December 4, shows that everything is going smoothly there, and the friendly attitude of the Tibetans remains unchanged. The telegraph line to Chungking was cut and Captain O'Connor and a small garrison are kept in touch with the outside world by receipt of Reuters' telegrams and regular postal data. The weather is described as perfect, bright clear days, with very little of the terrible winds which sweep Tibet plain unceasingly. The nights are cold, but not excessively so.

The Plague in India.

The plague returns for India for the week ending the 26th November, issued to the United Provinces and the Punjab. The total of the deaths are: Bombay Presidency 6,312; United Provinces 3,064; Punjab 2,082; Bombay City 75; Karachi 12; Madras Presidency 145; Calcutta 8; Bengal 413; Central Provinces including Benar 408; Mysore State 283; Hyderabad State 220; Central India 208; Rajasthan 224; and Kashmir 230. The total for all India is 14,328 against 17,517 in the preceding week and 17,517 in the corresponding week of last year.

New Army Regulations.

A telegram from Calcutta, dated November 30, states that officers of the Indian Army will in future be required to pass an examination for promotion from the rank of Lieutenant to that of Captain before being promoted.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory.

On the 22nd at 11.15 a.m. The barometer has risen throughout China, more particularly in the Yangtze, and has fallen over the Pacific and in southern Japan.

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## STEPS TOWARDS BETHLEHEM.

Strange Things in the Bible.

Rev. C. H. Hickling, speaking on the above subject, said, the Bible was interesting as literature; no class of readers could afford to neglect it. Its variety included almost everything from epigrams to Hesiod's tableaux vivants. The contents of the Bible represented remains of an extensive literature. The older portion quoted sixteen books which had been lost. Truth did not drop down from the skies in one parcel. That would have been as a foreign element which the men of any generation could not understand. What was put into a race must be adapted to the moral and mental stage of the race's development. So the gift of religious truth came at sundry times and in divers manners. Revelation was truth done in history. The Old Testament presented a spectacle of the contest of embodied truths with falsehoods clothed in human forms. Abstract truths were clothed with flesh and blood. Impalpable truths of religious value were declared in the vernacular of each man's heart. If we had any revelation of and from God, we had it at the core of a great historical development.

In the Old Testament we had the growing life, maturing thought, and the ripened fruit of the Hebrew mind and the Hebrew history. To understand these, they must be set in historical perspective. Their chief characters stood as far apart as Boadicea, Alfred, Elizabeth and Victoria. The revelation of God's will was wrought out in history, as man-made circumstances permitted, along those early centuries. God's character was disclosed and His laws for human life were made to appear in the experience of individuals who were "moved" by God in various ways and degrees. The divine object in these writings was not to supply us with correct information about the numbers killed in an ancient battle. The great value lay in the total of its ethical and religious teaching. And in any age the knowledge of the divine mind was limited by the imperfect capacities of those who were being led and taught. Now in the Old Testament we found wars of extermination commanded, including the slaughter of widows and male children in cold blood; human sacrifices; sensuality and folly in the form of like Samsun; deceit and cruelty practiced by a godly man like David; Paulus teaming with horrible blood-thirstiness and vindictive cruelty. Can these be excused any more than Turkish massacres of Armenians or Russian slaughters of Chinese? If not, how came they to take place as they did in this God-governed people? The clue was here. The heroes of early Hebrew history were semi-barbarians; they still retained the rude notions of morality and humanity to which the age had attained.

Morality was always relative—relative to the age and its light. In the Bible, again and again, these abominations were reprobated. But taking the long look it was evident from the New Testament standpoint, God was slowly, through the centuries, educating the people by events and revealing in various ways higher truths, which brought reform in their train. Thus it was that God seemed to sanction slavery, polygamy, witch killing and the like. The race was in its childhood and some vile things had to be permitted because of the low moral condition into which it had brought itself. Jesus declared it when reforming divorce had been declared that previous slackness had been wicked at the heart of the hardness of their hearts. But often the most abominable things are preferred by "Thus said the Lord." In the childish stage people reckoned almost everything as God's direct doing. It was God who rolled the thunder, hardened Pharaoh's heart and such like. Whatever God permitted was directly ascribed to His action. Much needless difficulty was caused by a mistake as to God's communications. These came usually through the highest faculties of the receptive mind. Mr. Welch (whose book was commended) said, better than thinking of the pigeon, which was said to have whispered the Koran into Mahomet's ear, was to think of the electric current passing through a pencil of carbon and making it luminous. It thus became clear that even divine impulses must be modified, determined, and it may be, diverted by the limitations of the receiver. The same religious impulse that made Jephthah sacrifice his daughter to fulfil his vow would make a Quaker spare life as being more sacred than a vow. When slaughters and other strange things were attributed to God's action through His prophets, we were in a material that those spokesmen, when "moved" as they walked on God, gave interpretations of God's will, which were limited by the crudity of their enlightenment, the imperfections of their judgment and the bluntness of their time.

So the record has reached us not to give these ordinances as God's pronouncements for us, but as object lessons showing the rising of the race in the knowledge and practice of God. These had made further developments possible. Looking down from the simple to the complex, from the primitive to the mature, from the lower to the higher. Light grew from the first dim streaks that heralded the dawn until the Great Sun of Bethlehem rose in a new day above the horizon and to this day, the day of the Son of Man.

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## GOSSIP FROM SHANGHAI.

[BY THE SOCIETY.]

SHANGHAI, December 18.

What I say does not count, and, therefore, I can say what I like and even dare to speak the truth. Quite a marvellous position in this age of pretence, and Shanghai seems to have found its proper place. I know the place is not alone in the particular evil which I desire to rail against, but why should ordinary men and women, possessing no distinctive ability, build round themselves a barrier and say unto another soul: "You must not penetrate within these walls; we are of the elect?" The men are every whit as bad as the women.

In business they are half follow well me, with everyone, but directly social etiquette is in question, a distinct line of cold tolerance or complete indifference is drawn, and both sets—rather each of the half dozen or more sets—retire within their own narrow limitations and breathe scorn upon each other. Go to a theatre, concert or dance, and you cannot help noticing how the really practice grows, to the detriment of public enjoyment or united effort in any big social scheme. At the Country Club dramatic performances of "The Marriage of Kitty" some really creditable talent was displayed, and it was amusing to listen to the audience's criticism of their friends' endeavours. They brought in so much that was purely personal that now and again I lost the thread of the play, but incidentally learned a lot about the players, and as the remarks were uttered by their supposed friends, I could not help wondering what would happen to their character if someone from the world they would not recognise had the temerity to intrude. "Turn in shades" might be a good simile.

A money panic when Christmas is at hand sounds unfortunate, and when it really appears there is not any real cause for the scare, it is a pity. The Wei-hai-wai Gold Mining Company is causing all the bother, but for what exact reason it is somewhat difficult to tell. Floated in the February of 1903, the following October the machinery was in order and \$30 shares have fluctuated between \$17 and \$18. Time and initial working expenses have, of course, prevented any dividend, but just at the very moment when there is a definite promise of a return, confidence disappeared and it seemed likely that the money required to carry on the concern would not be forthcoming. However, a meeting held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce has solved the difficulty and sufficient money at 12% has been raised to prevent the mines being closed, for which there seems no real reason, as the ore found so far has been remunerative.

As for Christmas itself, we are one mass of dolls. They are found everywhere from the grocer's shop to Japanese art studio establishments, and curiously enough the Chinese have been to more pains than foreigners to deck their stores in the festive manner dear to the old country. The public sale mania has run riot this week, and the shops laying in a large supply of stock suitable for Christmas presents must feel their competition very keenly. Undoubtedly there is a great fascination to be resisted, and if a European happens to be bidding against a Chinese keen on some vase or curving which he knows to be of







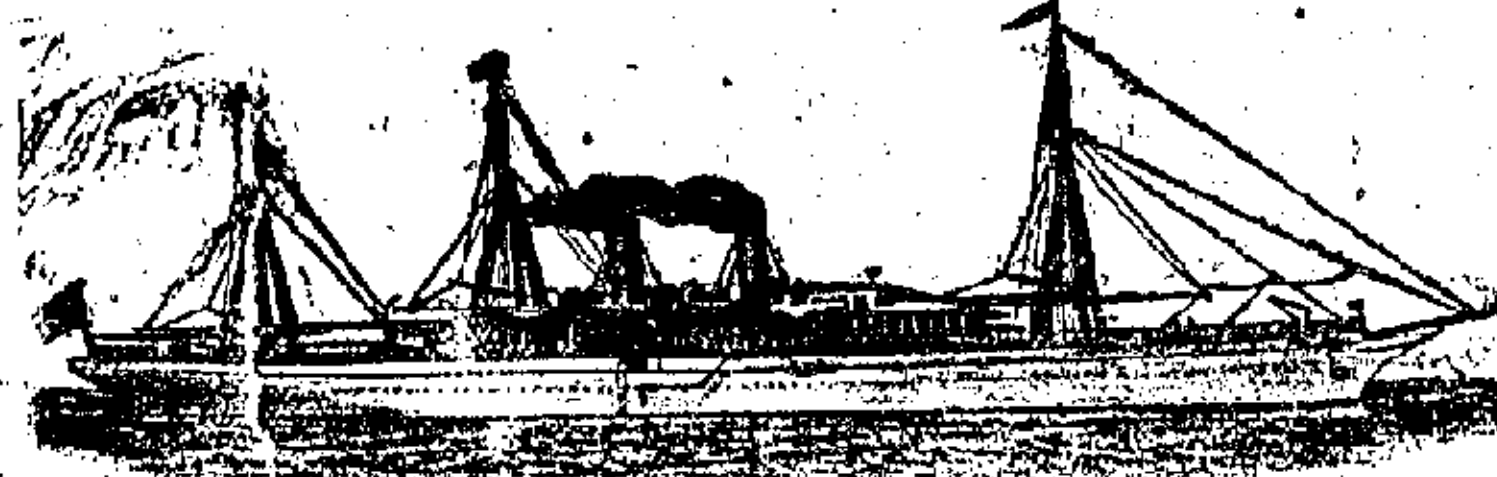
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TAMSAI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	FRITHJOF Capt. H. A. HARALDSEN	SUNDAY, 1st Jan., at Daylight.
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FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PRINCE	4th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	WHARFMASTER	5th January.

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FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MOVINE	3rd January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYSON	17th January.
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Hongkong, December 20, 1904.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

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SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	23rd December.
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MANILA	SHANGHAI	27th December.
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No Insurance will be effected by me  
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Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Con-  
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at an appointed hour. All claims must be  
presented within ten days of the steamer's  
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E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1904. 2261

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E. A. HEWETT,  
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Hongkong, December 17, 1904. 2262

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side.

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